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37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month
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37 CFR § 1.17(a)(4) - Extension within fourth month.

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The pending claims are found in the claim set beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Applicant's remarks are in the section beginning on page 9 of this paper.